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## Adoption of the Chichester Local Plan Site Allocation Development Plan Document

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### 2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the submitted Local Plan Site Allocation Development Plan Document 2014-2029, amended to include all the main modifications recommended by the planning inspector to make the Plan sound, together with other more minor modifications already agreed with the inspector, be adopted and published (including any consequential and other appropriate minor amendments) in accordance with regulation 26 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) Regulations 2012.**

### 3. Background

- 3.1 The Council has now received the report of the Planning Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government to examine the soundness of the proposed Site Allocation Development Plan Document 2014-2029 (DPD). The detailed conclusions that the Inspector has reached are not repeated in this report.
- 3.2 The final text of the DPD (including Main Modifications as set out in the Inspector's Report and Minor Modifications as set out in the Schedule of Proposed Minor Modifications (February 2018) is included as Appendix 1.
- 3.3 The Inspector's report is attached as Appendix 2. It concludes that subject to a series of modifications the plan is sound. These are attached as Appendix 3. The changes shown are in either bold text (additions) or struck through text (deletions).
- 3.4 In addition, the Council produced a series of minor modifications which were consulted on in February 2018. Although these do not go to the heart of the DPD they should also be incorporated into the final version of the DPD. Due to the period of time that has passed since the examination, additional factual changes to the DPD

have also been made in line with Minor Modification MIN1 - *“Amend text to reflect any updates/changes required as a consequence of progress of the DPD or changes elsewhere in the DPD”*.

- 3.5 The DPD is the last document to be published that is associated with the current adopted Local Plan.

#### **4. Outcomes to be Achieved**

- 4.1 The completion of this part of the plan-making process will provide a framework for the determination of planning applications and complete the requirements relating to the allocation of sites set out in the Site Allocation DPD.

#### **5. Proposal**

- 5.1 The main purpose of this report is to recommend adoption of the Site Allocation DPD together with the recommended main modifications, appended to the Inspector’s report which are considered necessary to make the plan sound.

#### **6. Alternatives Considered**

- 6.1 There are no realistic alternatives to consider as this is the final stage in the plan-making process for the Site Allocation DPD.

#### **7. Resource and Legal Implications**

- 7.1 Following adoption (which takes effect immediately on the resolution of the Council), the DPD, along with an ‘adoption statement’ and the sustainability appraisal report, must be published and made available for inspection. Parties involved in the process will also be notified. There will be a period of six weeks for legal challenge, although the DPD would remain in effect pending the outcome of any challenge.
- 7.2 The newly adopted Site Allocation DPD will have the status as comprising part of the Development Plan immediately following adoption. All decisions on relevant applications and appeals will need to be in accordance with the Development Plan, unless material considerations indicate otherwise.
- 7.3 There is no legal requirement for the Council to adopt the DPD; however, a considerable amount of resource has been expended on the process to date. There are no significant resource implications arising from the adoption of the DPD.

#### **8. Consultation**

- 8.1 This DPD has undergone a series of formal consultations in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement and at each stage these have been reported to Cabinet and Council as appropriate and published. These consultations have attracted responses across all sectors of the community. Full details were included in the Statement of Consultation that was one of the core documents for the DPD examination.

## 9. Community Impact and Corporate Risks

9.1 An Equalities Impact Assessment has been carried out as part of the examination process. Whilst the adoption of the DPD will provide greater certainty in respect of planning matters, there may be sectors of the community who are disappointed with the Inspector's findings following objections that had been made.

## 10. Other Implications

Are there any implications for the following?		
	Yes	No
<b>Crime and Disorder</b>		✓
<b>Climate Change and Biodiversity</b> A strategic environmental assessment and sustainability appraisal has been undertaken.	✓	
<b>Human Rights and Equality Impact</b> An Equalities Impact Assessment has been prepared and this shows that the Plan has no adverse impacts.		✓
<b>Safeguarding and Early Help</b>		✓
<b>General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)</b>		✓
<b>Health and Wellbeing</b>		✓
<b>Other</b>		✓

## 11. Appendices

11.1 Appendix 1 – Final text of the Site Allocation Development Plan Document (including Main Modifications as set out in the Inspector's Report and Minor Modifications as set out in the Schedule of Proposed Minor Modifications (February 2018))

11.2 Appendix 2 - Inspector's Report on the examination into the Site Allocation Development Plan Document

11.3 Appendix 3 – Inspector's Main Modifications included with the Inspector's Report.

## 12. Background Papers

12.1 None